

Cedar Area Fire & Rescue

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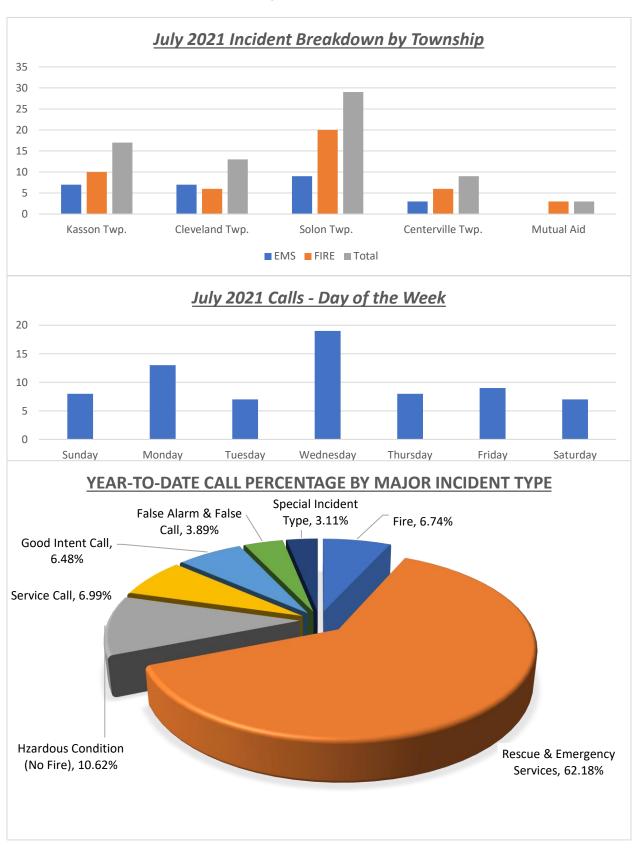
Chiefs Report – August 2021





Statistics

71 Calls for service in August – 386 Total calls as of 7/31/2021



Department Operations

Apparatus:

- Engine 811: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- Tanker 822: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- Brush 841: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- Kubota 882: In-Service: No Issues Reported
- Ambulance 891: In-Service: Paint Repair Completed
- Ambulance 892: In-service: No Issues Reported

Training:

CAFR staff completed 328 hours of training last month covering various topics.

ALS Updates:

Along with Lt. Voiles and FF Maus continuing with paramedic class we have submitted our application with the state to operate under the Bennett Bill. This will allow us to provide ALS to our citizens if there is a paramedic on duty. We have four paramedics on staff now that are full and part-time. We should hear back on the states decision in September.

M.A.B.A.S Division 3701:

Michigan MABAS received a request from the State of Louisiana for help in the wake of Hurricane Ida. Division 3701 compiled a list of qualified members that were willing to go and help. While we were not needed and the request was satisfied by departments closer to Louisiana, Michigan Task Force #1 was deployed as a water rescue resource and spent time working in the affected areas around New Orleans.

Public Education:

Distanced outreach continues through our digital platforms like Facebook.

Fire-Wise Program:

Property assessments available upon request.

Summary

August was a very busy month for your CAFR firefighters. 71 calls for service makes August the busiest month this year. We responded to structure fires, vehicle fires, car accidents, people in the water calls in Lake Michigan and many other types of calls for assistance. Members also responded to an incident where they recognized the signs of an overdose and administered Naloxone, this patient was awake again when they arrived at the hospital.

As stated in the ALS updates section, we have officially submitted our application to operate under the Bennett Bill. This will allow us to operate as an ALS provider when we have a paramedic on duty. This was not a small feat to get completed by the state's September meeting. We had to submit the application by September 1st or risk having to wait until after the first of the year for approval. Firefighter/Paramedic Jeff Friend was an integral part of gathering the information we needed and beginning the process of ordering the equipment we need to operate as an ALS service. Thank you FF/PM Friend for your work on this project!

I know every month I boast about the work that our firefighters do. This month is no different, what they are able to do with the resources they are given is nothing short of exceptional. We are lucky to have the staff that we do, both full and part-time. That also goes for our Fire Board and Township Officials, you all make me proud every day to be your Chief!

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew T. Doornbos Chief of Department